

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Knudsen et al.

Application No.: To be assigned

Group Art Unit: To be assigned

Filed: December 4, 2001

Examiner: To be assigned

For: Method of Identifying Compounds Capable of Acting as Agonists or Antagonists of G-Protein Coupled Receptors

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 44-45 without prejudice or disclaimer.

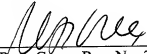
REMARKS

This amendment is submitted to cancel claims 44-45. Since only dependencies are altered, there is no new matter added, and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this amendment or application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 4, 2001



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